

**PATENT**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Miyamoto *et al.*

Group Art Unit: 1632

**Serial No.: 10/591,530**

Examiner: Wilson, Michael C.

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For: METHOD FOR DIFFERENTIATING MESENCHYMAL STEM CELLS INTO  
STEROID-PRODUCING CELLS

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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is responsive to the Restriction/Election Requirement dated November 26, 2008 having a period for response to December 26, 2008. Favorable consideration is respectfully requested in view of the following Amendments and Remarks.